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## BLM Deputy Director Fran Cherry Visits Eastern States



BLM Deputy Director Fran Cherry (right) toured the General Land Office records during a recent visit to Eastern States. (From left) Pictured with Deputy Director Cherry are Public Room Lead Tondi Ballard, Eastern States Director Mike Nedd, and Legal Assistant Jennifer Spencer.

On October 31, BLM's Deputy Director Fran Cherry took a break from his busy schedule at the BLM's Washington headquarters office to visit nearby BLM-Eastern States.

Deputy Director Cherry received the intriguing General Land Office (GLO), Cadastral Survey, and Bindery operations tour, asking many questions and offering witty remarks all along the way. While on tour, Fran learned how Eastern States represents the Guardians of the Past, being caretakers of invaluable historical documents—the Secretary of the Interior's original copies of millions of land patents, original survey plats, and field notes. He even had an opportunity to search the GLO Web site at [www.glorerecords.blm.gov](http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov) for land documents his own ancestors might have obtained.

Director Cherry then met with Eastern States managers and employees, followed by a tour of the newly acquired Meadowood Farm in Virginia.

## BLM-Eastern States and the ELRC Sign Partnership Agreement

The Bureau of Land Management's Eastern States (BLM-Eastern States) Director Michael D. Nedd and Eastern Lands and Resources Council (ELRC) President Ralph Knoll signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on November 6, at the BLM-Eastern States headquarters office in Springfield, Virginia, becoming partners in the East. The MOU formalizes a framework of communication and consultation on lands and natural resources management that is mutually beneficial to both the ELRC and the BLM-Eastern States.



BLM-Eastern States Director Mike Nedd (left) and Eastern Lands and Resources Council President Ralph Knoll review the Memorandum of Understanding just before signing as partners in November in Springfield, Virginia.

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## State Director's Message



Since our last newsletter, we have been busy working on a variety of projects, including the strengthening of our partnership efforts, and identifying our Fiscal Year 2003 priorities.

Of great importance to us here at Eastern States is Meadowood Farm in Virginia. We have just completed the Proposed Planning Analysis/ Environmental Assessment document for Meadowood Farm, our newly acquired 800 acres located on the Mason Neck Peninsula in Fairfax County, Virginia. The document hit the streets on November 18, 2002, for a 30-day protest period. Protests, if any, must be filed with the BLM Director by December 18.

During the last few months, we have taken the opportunity to sign two memorandums of understandings and one memorandum of agreement with our old and new partners. On August 21, we signed a memorandum of understanding with the Department of the Interior and the National Black Chamber of Commerce to establish and enhance the Department's and the BLM's outreach efforts to small businesses owned and operated by African-Americans. On October 16, we signed a memorandum of agreement with the Mid-Atlantic Partners for the Environment and the City of Philadelphia to work cooperatively to promote smart growth and sustainable development within the City. And lastly, on November 6, we signed a memorandum of understanding with our long-time partner, the Eastern Lands and Resources Council to formalize a framework of communication and consultation on lands and natural resources management.

As the new fiscal year progresses, we will focus our attention on our 2003 Priorities, which include: Lands (Meadowood Farm, Lower Potomac, disposals, and lighthouses to name a few), the Wild Horse and Burro Adoption Program, Energy and Minerals, Fire, Outreach and Partnerships, Human Capital Management, and Maximizing Fiscal Resources.

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*Front page: BLM's Deputy Director Fran Cherry Visits Eastern States and BLM-Eastern States and the ELRC Sign Partnership Agreement*

With the elections over, we will again be busy making visits to the Hill to meet with our new congressional delegation here in Washington, DC, and in our Eastern States jurisdiction, to inform them of our important activities and vital programs here at BLM-Eastern States.

Until next time, I would like to wish all of you a happy and safe holiday season. We look forward to a new year—one with new ideas, opportunities, and challenges.

**Michael D. Nedd**  
State Director, Eastern States



## Proposed Plan Released for Meadowood Farm

*By External Affairs Staff, Eastern States*

On November 18, 2002, BLM-Eastern States released the Proposed Planning Analysis/Environmental Assessment (PA/EA) to the public for review. The PA/EA represents a balance between the protection of natural resources and recreational use by the public of the 800 acres at Meadowood Farm.

Decisions addressed in the proposed plan will not be final until after completion of a 30-day protest period and a 60-day Governor's consistency review. The Decision Record, which approves the management decisions made in the PA/EA, will not be signed until all protests, if any, are resolved. Protests must be filed with the Director by December 18, 2002.

According to Eastern States Director Mike Nedd, "The Proposed PA/EA meets BLM-Eastern States' mission to sustain the health,



Photo by Charles Bush

(From left) Eastern States Director Mike Nedd discusses management possibilities at Meadowood Farm with BLM's Deputy Director Fran Cherry during his October visit to Eastern States.

diversity, and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations."

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### ***BLM-ELRC MOU...continued from page 1***

The ELRC, an organization comprised of highly trained public land professionals in the eastern United States, provides a unique forum for enhancing land stewardship and conservation. The ELRC fosters communication, strengthens professional development, and promotes sound policies and practices among those involved in the management and administration of public lands, records, and natural resources.

As partners, BLM-Eastern States and the ELRC will: 1) discuss lands and natural resources management issues of mutual interest or concern; 2) foster communication and strengthen professional relationships among State, local, and Federal officials in related fields; 3) work toward the development of sound Federal and State public land management policies; 4) promote general policies of sound resource management and conservation of public lands; 5) identify areas of cooperation where both the BLM-Eastern States and the ELRC can share experience and expertise to make a positive impact

in managing public lands in the eastern United States; and 6) identify a pool of State and Federal lands and resources managers who can provide expertise to address lands and resources questions and situations that partners encounter.

The President of the ELRC, in consultation with the BLM-Eastern States Director, will appoint 3 to 5 members to represent the ELRC for a period of 3 years. This group will meet biannually, and at other times as needed, with BLM-Eastern States to discuss mutually beneficial land management issues, concerns, trends, and areas of cooperation.

For more information about BLM-Eastern States, visit the web site at [www.es.blm.gov](http://www.es.blm.gov). To learn more about the ELRC, visit the web site [www.elrc.org](http://www.elrc.org).







## BLM-Eastern States to Cooperate With the National Black Chamber of Commerce

*By Eastern States External Affairs staff*

**B**LM-Eastern States Director Mike Nedd, Department of the Interior's (DOI) Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization Director Bob Faithful, and National Black Chamber of Commerce (NBCC) President and CEO Harry Alford signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on August 21, 2002. The purpose of this agreement is to establish and enhance the DOI's and BLM's outreach efforts to small businesses owned and operated by African-Americans and to provide increased information exchange regarding outside contracting opportunities.

BLM-Eastern States Director Mike Nedd said at the signing, "As Guardians of the Past and Stewards for the Future, the BLM-Eastern States is committed to sound management of the resources in the 31 eastern states under our jurisdiction. This agreement between the DOI, BLM, and the NBCC will provide an opportunity for all of our organizations to work closer together to increase our effectiveness in working with minority and small businesses."

Through this 2-year MOU, DOI's Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization will provide technical assistance and guidance in market research, understanding the Federal procurement process, and the



Photo by Peggy Riek

(From left) DOI's Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization Director Bob Faithful, BLM Eastern States' Director Mike Nedd, and National Black Chamber of Commerce (NBCC) President and CEO Harry Alford shake hands after signing a Memorandum of Understanding to work cooperatively to further the mission, goals, and objectives of each organization.

DOI contracting programs. BLM-Eastern States will assist in linking DOI resources with NBCC members. The NBCC will provide outreach to key African-American organizations and groups and their membership who could benefit from DOI programs. The NBCC will also involve DOI and BLM in their national conferences and workshops, promoting small business contracting and assistance opportunities. Each organization will directly fund its own participation.

## Eastern States Makes A Difference During National Public Lands Day

*By Joe Zilincar, Public Affairs Specialist, Eastern States, External Affairs*

**M**ore than 1,000 volunteers contributed 5,800 hours to improve public lands in the States of Florida, Missouri, Virginia, and Wisconsin and in the District of Columbia at six National Public Lands Day (NPLD) events on September 28.

Great weather greeted Eastern States volunteers as they began work on trails, removed invasive plants, reseeded and replanted, removed trash, and repaired facilities at the various sites. Volunteers included Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts and senior citizens, making this event the most successful NPLD at Eastern States yet.

Eastern States hosted one of the original three sites that initiated NPLD. Since then, Eastern States employees have been in the forefront of making this worthy event a coast to coast success.



Photo by Don Cabrera

Volunteers level a trail at Pohick Bay in Virginia at the NPLD event.



## Jupiter Inlet Natural Area in 2000...and now in 2002

By Faye Winters, Wildlife Biologist, Eastern States, Jackson Field Office

Photo by Jerry Stinz



Jupiter Inlet Natural Area in 2000

Two years ago, the site of the planned wetlands at the Jupiter Inlet Natural Area was choked with exotic Australian pine and heaped with dredging spoils. Through a wetlands construction project, the area has become productive wildlife habitat. The dredging spoil piles were removed and a 2-acre lagoon dug. Then, tens of thousands of red mangroves were planted during NPLD events and Eagle Scouts' projects (left photo). The mangroves have been growing under a sub-tropical sun in the tidal wetlands since early 2000.

Photo by Faye Winters



Now in 2002, the mangroves have begun putting down their characteristic prop roots and rapidly transforming the wetland into the fish nursery and ecological filtration system that is the trademark of this vegetation community. Mangrove wetlands are

an imperiled plant community in Florida, but this mangrove wetlands is helping to turn that tide by replacing a small fraction of the wetlands lost in this highly urbanized area.



Photo by Faye Winters

Jupiter Inlet Natural Area in 2002

## Memorandum of Agreement Promotes Smart Growth and Sustainable Development

By Peggy Riek, Writer-Editor, Eastern States, External Affairs

Photo by Bonnie Lomax, EPA



(From left) BLM-Eastern States Director Mike Nedd signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the Mid-Atlantic Federal Partners for the Environment during a ceremony in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

On October 16, Eastern States Director Mike Nedd joined other Federal Agencies to support the City of Philadelphia in smart growth efforts. BLM-Eastern States participated in a signing ceremony for a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Mid-Atlantic Federal Partners for the Environment (MAFPE), which included the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; Department of the Interior's U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, U.S. Geological Survey, National Park Service, and Office of Surface Mining; the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service and the Natural Resources Conservation Service; the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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## BLM-Eastern States Collaborates on Well Site Inspections in New York

*By Miriam Simonds, Physical Scientist, Eastern States, Milwaukee Field Office*

**B**LM is responsible for making public lands available for development of Federal mineral and energy resources under the principles of balanced multiple use. The Eastern States (ES) Milwaukee Field Office has jurisdiction of approximately 17 million acres of Federal mineral ownership in the 20 Northeastern States. However, Federal minerals in the Northeast are located primarily under surface lands managed by other entities, which include the U.S. Forest Service and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, State-owned lands, and lands owned by private citizens.

When an oil and gas operator intends to develop the mineral rights on a Federal lease, an environmental assessment is initiated to evaluate potential impacts of drilling operations on the human environment. An on-site inspection and meeting of involved parties was an initial step in the environmental assessment process to identify impacts and to assure, to the extent practicable, that this proposal would be compatible with the existing surface use as farmed land.

Last June the ES Milwaukee Field Office processed applications for permits to drill two natural gas wells on a Federal lease located under private surface lands in the Northcentral region of the State of New York. A collaborative inspection of the proposed well sites was conducted to coordinate issues and concerns. Attendees during the inspection included representatives of the BLM, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Columbia Natural Resources (who is the applicant), and the private surface owners, Leroy and Suzanne Martin.



The proposed well sites are located in fields farmed by the Martins in Seneca County. Two producing gas wells already exist on the farmers' land.

During the inspection, the applications submitted by Columbia Natural Resources were reviewed and Federal and State regulations governing the permitting of wells were discussed. The participants discussed mitigation measures that would lessen the impacts of the proposal on the environment. It was decided to consider an alternate access route to one of the proposed wells in order to minimize disturbance to the farmers' field.

The applications have been approved, and the operator plans to drill the wells in January 2003. Consultation with the Natural Resources Conservation Service, formerly the Soil Conservation Service, aided in determining possible impacts of the proposal and in developing protection measures to prevent soil loss. Most of the surface disturbance resulting from construction of the sites will be reclaimed within 6 weeks.

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### ***MAFPE MOA...continued from page 5***

Through this MOA, the City of Philadelphia and the MAFPE agree to work cooperatively to promote smart growth and sustainable development in bringing about a vibrant urban economy and a revitalized residential landscape within the City.

The benefits of the MOA will include job growth and improved quality of life for the City's residents as well as broader environmental benefits from improved land use management and the principles of sustainable development.





## Teachers Experience “Intrigue of the Past”

*Story and photo by Patrice Junius, Outreach Specialist, Eastern States, Jackson Field Office*

In early August, Eastern States Jackson Field Office partnered with Jackson, Mississippi Public Schools to present a teacher’s activity guide, “Project Archaeology: “Intrigue of the Past” to 16 grade school teachers. The guide was used at a workshop to help them bring new ideas to their classrooms and to promote the BLM’s Project Archaeology program.

Teresa Paglione, an archaeologist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Natural Resources Conservation Service in Alabama, facilitated the workshop. “Protecting the Nation’s cultural resources must include everyone,” Teresa said. “And the classroom is a perfect place to start.”

For two days the social studies teachers learned about promoting an awareness to protect cultural resources, and they walked away with knowledge, activity ideas, and an appreciation of cultural resources to help them bring new ideas to their classrooms.

On the second day of the workshop, participants met with archaeologists Kevin Bruce and Bruce Gray from the Mississippi Department of Transportation, for a tour of the Pocahontas Mound, in Pocahontas, Mississippi. At the site, the teachers learned the history of the mound, now a roadside park that was once surrounded by a village. All 16 teachers were awarded one unit of a continuing education credit after completion of the workshop.



**A teacher from the Jackson, Mississippi Public School District examines pottery pieces that were found during an excavation at Pocahontas Mound in Mississippi.**

“We appreciate the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) doing this for our teachers,” said Cathy Thomas, a Social Studies Instructional Specialist for Jackson Public Schools. “The activities that the teachers learned at this workshop will be very effective in the classroom.”

Project Archaeology is a national program, designed by the BLM to teach young Americans to value and protect our rich cultural heritage. The program also helps to strengthen children’s sense of personal responsibility for the stewardship of American’s cultural heritage. Project Archaeology has facilitators around the world who take pride in promoting awareness to protect cultural resources. The program is now one of the environmental education initiatives offered at both the Eastern States Jackson and Milwaukee Field Offices. For more information about Project Archaeology, visit the web site at [www.co.blm.gov/ahc/hmepge.htm](http://www.co.blm.gov/ahc/hmepge.htm)

Photo by Joyce Turner



## A Happy Adopter!

Jed Turner shows off his beloved Torri, short for “Victory,” and named after Vicki Craft from Eastern States Jackson Field Office. Joyce Turner and her family located Torri on BLM’s Wild Horse & Burro Adoption Web site at [www.adoptahorse.blm.gov](http://www.adoptahorse.blm.gov). With help from Vicki Craft, he was transported from the Cross Plains, Tennessee Holding Facility to Little Rock, Arkansas, for a wild horse and burro adoption, where he was adopted by the Turner family.

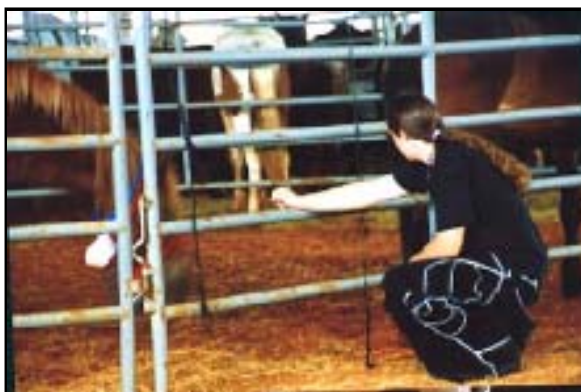


## High School Student Believes in the Wild Horse and Burro Program

*Story and photo by Shayne Banks, Public Affairs Specialist, Eastern States, Jackson Field Office*

**A**t the start of the 2001-2002 school year, I was asked to “mentor” a local high school student, Sara Rose, who had an interest in the BLM’s Wild Horse and Burro (WH&B) program.

Sara Rose was a very intelligent, highly motivated young woman who was determined to assist in finding homes for wild horses. After discussing the options to assist with Sara, we decided that she would assist with promoting a WH&B adoption event in Hattiesburg, Mississippi.



**Sara Rose takes a moment at a wild horse and burro adoption to watch the animals in the pen.**

Following the Hattiesburg adoption, Sara prepared her report and finalized it for my review. After reading her final report, I found that Sara did an excellent job of categorizing some of the obstacles that the BLM faces each day in trying to find homes for wild horses. For instance, many people think that adopting horses and burros is a simple process. As Sara found out, that is not always so. As Sara wrote, “This year, I had set

out to increase the number of people attending a particular mustang adoption. After it was all over, I realized that I had set out on a mission bigger than I had originally thought. Out of the scores of people who may have come in contact with my campaign,

only a few were persuaded enough to come to this adoption. This does not mean that my campaign was ineffective, but I now know that swaying a crowd and changing the public’s opinion takes more experience, more planning, more time and more money.”

“It has been announced that the Government needs to find homes for almost one-half

of the estimated 38,000 wild horses and burros by 2005,” said Sara. “I’ve had my first taste of campaigning for a cause I believe in, and I strongly feel that this is the way I am going to be able to leave my mark in the future. By 2005, I might just be out there helping to make success stories happen and preserving the mustang, a valuable remnant of our history for future generations.”

### Believe It or Not!

Eastern States Jackson Field Office Oil and Gas Geologist, Ken Adams, is a history buff and is always looking for material on historical oil and gas exploration and development. He began his collection with an out-of-print book he located and purchased on the e-Bay Web site entitled, “The History of Oil and Gas Fields.”

When he received the book, he noticed that there was a message written inside which read, “Bob: Thought you might enjoy reading this book and having it in your library. Regards, Bernard Shaken.” When discussing this new

find with other personnel in the office, Bob Schoolar, Jackson Geographic Information Specialist overheard the discussion and said, “Hey, I had a book just like that when I lived in Oklahoma City in 1976. I loaned it to a co-worker, and I never saw it again. My book was autographed by the author of the book.”

As it turned out, the book Ken purchased on e-Bay in 2002 was the same book Bob had loaned out in 1976. Ken offered the book back to Bob, but Bob replied, “the book has found a fine new home.”





## What Does a Lands Adjudicator Do?

*Story and photo by Roya Vassy-Yeganeh, Student Career Experience Program, Eastern States, External Affairs*

**T**he BLM offers a wide array of job opportunities. There are so many that it is difficult to be knowledgeable about the duties of every position. I have worked for Eastern States for the past 3 years as a summer student employee and have held positions in the State Director's Office, Human Resources, and External Affairs. As a result, I have had the opportunity to work with different people on many types of projects. However, I have never had the opportunity to work with a lands adjudicator. So I was curious to learn just what a lands adjudicator did and thought others might also like to be informed about the profession.

Shirlee Gilmore, a lands adjudicator in Eastern States, was kind enough to take the time to educate me about her duties. While talking to Shirlee, I learned that a lands adjudicator is a specialist who deals with questions about clear ownership of lands and realty functions. The lands adjudicator provides assistance and guidance to the general public, attorneys, and other Federal Agencies on conflicting land laws, and determines if public lands are available for disposition.

Lands adjudicators process various types of lands case records such as Color-of-Title (clearing title to public lands) and Conveyance of Federal Mineral Interest under Section 209 of the Federal Land Management Policy Act of 1976. They must



**Shirlee Gilmore,  
Land Law Examiner,  
Eastern States**

interpret land records received from the counties, States, those located in the Eastern States, and at the National Archives. After the applications are approved, a patent (a documents which convey title to public lands and Federal mineral interest) is issued. The lands adjudicator must be able to prepare reports, correspondence, decisions, and process telephone inquiries. As a final step, lands adjudicators record the lands case actions into the Lands and Realty 2000 Data-Entry System and into the Eastern States Tract Books.

Ms. Gilmore concluded by saying, "the job of a lands adjudicator is one that requires dedication, a desire to do professional work in a timely manner, and a commitment to provide good customer service."

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## Mustangs Draw Large Crowds at BreyerFest 2002

*Story and photo by Shayne Banks, Public Affairs Specialist, Eastern States, Jackson Field Office*



**Wild Horse Trainer Lesley Neuman grooms "Clyde" during a horse demonstration at BreyerFest 2002 in Lexington, Kentucky.**

**A**mong thousands of plastic model horses, two live BLM mustangs proved to be the featured attractions for the BreyerFest 2002 Festival, the largest model horse exposition in the world. The event was held July 26-28 at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, Kentucky, and was attended by over 10,000 visitors.

The theme this year was "Spirit of the West." As part of the Western theme, two wild horses,

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## ES Happenings

On August 6, America's Outdoors' (AO) U.S. Forest Service interns, Milwaukee's Urban Tree House (UTH) Site Coordinator, and youth from the Neighborhood House, came together to plant a prairie at the UTH site. The project was completed through the efforts of UTH Site Coordinator Martha Malik, and Prairie Nursery Installation Coordinator David Rabl of Westfield Nursery in Westfield, Wisconsin, and many volunteers. The nursery furnished over 40 different species of native wildflowers, grounds preparation, a site design, and technical assistance and guidance during the project.

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On July 20, BLM-Eastern States Wonderful Outdoor World representatives participated in ESPN's "Great Outdoor Games" in Lake Placid, New York, where more than 200 competitors participated in 24 events in four categories—fishing, target sports, timber events, and sporting dogs.

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On August 1, BLM-Eastern States Milwaukee Field Office, through America's Outdoors and Milwaukee's Urban Tree House, participated at the 10th annual Black Chamber of Commerce Conference, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The theme of this year's conference was "The Five C's For Success—Capital, Contracts, Contacts, Capability, and Connectivity." Participants at the conference learned about new technology at various Federal agencies and State organizations.

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On August 7, the Eastern States Executive Management Team sponsored a cookout at the State Office to thank all the employees and students for the great work accomplished at Eastern States throughout the year. The summer students and interns were also acknowledged for their contributions made during the summer while working at Eastern States.

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On October 10, BLM-Eastern States and U.S. Customs employees once again participated in the Greater Chesapeake & Potomac Regional Red Cross blood drive. Donors contributed 31 units of blood to help save lives. The next blood drive will take place in early January 2003. Thanks!

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On August 21, Eastern States held its First Annual Health Fair at the State Office in Springfield, Virginia. Free screenings for blood pressure, osteoporosis, cholesterol, and hearing were available to all employees. The Health Fair also offered free seminars which included "Balancing Your Life," "Eating Healthy on the Run," and "A Natural Approach to Reduce Toxins and Cleanse the Body."

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In late August, General Land Office Records Manager Patricia Tyler and Jackson Field Office Outreach Specialist Patrice Junius attended the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual National Training Conference of Blacks in Government in Atlanta, Georgia. This year's theme was "Accept the Challenge, Exceed the Standard through Professional Development." The conference offered an array of workshops dealing with conflict management, personal accountability, keys to success for maximizing your effectiveness, and presentation skills.

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On November 1, BLM-Eastern States, the U.S. Coast Guard, and the Big Sable Lighthouse Keepers Association hosted a transfer ceremony at the Great Lakes Visitor Center within the Ludington State Park in Michigan for the transfer of the Big Sable Lighthouse to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Eastern States Director Mike Nedd was present to sign the Recreation & Public Purpose patent to the State of Michigan.

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Eastern States representatives attended the Eastern Lands and Resources Fall 2002 Conference in October, with State lands and resources managers in Boston, Massachusetts. The conference was both action-packed and educational. During the week both groups learned from each other, obtained ideas and strategies for land conservation efforts, received information on cutting-edge technologies, and accumulated a wide variety of documents on activities and successes of the host State of Massachusetts.

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## Employee Feature—Jeanne Proctor, Special Agent, Milwaukee Field Office

*By Jim Boylan, Public Affairs Specialist, Eastern States, Milwaukee Field Office*

**J**eanne M. Proctor is the newly assigned Special Agent for Eastern States' Milwaukee Field Office. As a Special Agent, Jeanne will be responsible for enforcing all Federal laws and regulations pertaining to the use, management, and development of the public lands and their resources. She will provide the Field Office with much needed law enforcement services support.

Jeanne has over 9 years of Federal law enforcement experience, serving as a Captain in the Army's Military Police Corps, in combat support units deployed to Central America and the Persian Gulf War, and as a Chief of Police for the Department of Commerce in Boulder, Colorado.

She holds B.A. degree in Sociology from the University of Nebraska, and an M.S. degree in Public Administration from Central Michigan University. She is pursuing a Ph.D in Environmental Education with a Natural Resources Management cognate through the University of Denver in Colorado.

Jeanne has a passion for the great outdoors, early American Naturalist literature, and holistic aesthetics (i.e., nature, art, music, "body-mind-spirit").

When asked about her career aspirations, she says she is exactly where she wants to be—gaining a solid foundation in natural resources law, organizational procedures, and a overall field investigative experience. Her future is 'a ways down the road,' hoping that one day she will become a Special



**Jeanne Proctor,  
Special Agent,  
Milwaukee Field Office**

**Photo by James Engstrom**

Agent-in-Charge or attain a senior leadership position within the Department of Interior (DOI) where she can best "make a difference for the public and their lands."

When Jeanne decides to retire, she would like to take her experiences and expertise and teach at a university or at a Federal Training Center such as the DOI facility in Shepardstown, West Virginia or Artesia, New Mexico.

She says, "It is truly an honor and privilege for me, as well as a long-term career goal, to serve in the BLM."

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nicknamed "Bonnie and Clyde," were on hand to participate in two daily demonstrations conducted by Wild Horse Trainer Lesley Neuman, who, after just two hours of training, had the horses eating right out of her hand. Following the demonstrations, both wild horses were adopted by qualified individuals.







## Comment Card/E-mail Briefs

**General Land Office**—"Thank you!! This is a great site. I find it easy to use, and it is getting better every day. Genealogy is the #2 hobby in the country, and you have made it easier for all of us. Thanks" *Donna Schultheiss*

**Eastern States Mission** — We will continue to play a central role in fostering the acquisition, management, and conservation of public lands and their resources spanning the 31 States east of and bordering the Mississippi River. Major programs include: Cadastral Survey, General Land Office Records, Wild Horse & Burro adoptions, Lands and Realty, Renewable Resources, Energy and Minerals, and Fire.

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**Wild Horse & Burro**—"On July 6, I adopted my second mustang, a weanling stud. I have to tell you he is a sweetheart. He gentled in no time, and I had him out of his corral by the third day. I named him 'Nevada's Ranger Walker.' Ranger and I go for walks every day, and he is already halter broke. I even taught him to give me kisses...I really hope that you will come back to Ithaca, New York again. Thank you for giving me the experience of a life time. I love it."

*Billie Jo Cicci.*

## Comings & Goings

**New employees.**—*Jesse Kopach*, Survey Aid, Cadastral Survey. *Brian Kennedy*, Physical Scientist, Jackson Field Office. *William Davenport*, Marketing Specialist, External Affairs. *Tondi Ballard*, Public Room Lead, Records Access & Administration. *Jeanne Proctor*, Special Agent, Milwaukee Field Office. *Marion Eppright*, Law Enforcement Ranger, Lower Potomac Field Station. **Transfers.**—*David Henry*, GLO Records Specialist, to U.S. Department of the Treasury. *Karen Ryan*, Human Resources Manager, to U.S. Department of Defense. *Dawn Phillips*, Human Resource Specialist, to U.S. Department of Defense.

**Retirees.**—*Denis Roy*, Personnel Ethics & OWCP Coordinator, Human Resources. *Heddy Lozano*, Personnel Assistant, Human Resources.

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